

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INDO SINO MOU IN HEALTH SECTOR

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and China have signed a Memorandum of Understanding for cooperation in the health sector;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the said MoU;
- (c) whether the Union Government has urged China to supply raw material for Tamiflu vaccine to combat bird flu;
- (d) whether the Government also intends to import machines etc. for use in hospitals from China; and
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Chinese Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b): An agreement on cooperation in the field of Health and Medicine between India and China was signed on 3.9.94. The areas of cooperation are traditional medicine including yoga and acupuncture; pharmacology and pharmaceuticals, including methods of quality control and good manufacturing practices; infectious diseases and parasitology; maternal and child health care and family planning and occupational health and tropical medicine.

(c) & (d) : There is no such specific proposal currently under consideration.

(e) Does not arise.